

weakness, said module comprising: a housing, inlet and outlet openings in said housing, a rotary separator member rotatably mounted in said housing and positioned across a ticket strip dispensing path to span said strip and extend in a direction transverse to said strip when said strip is in position for separation, a first ticket drive device in said housing between said inlet opening and said separator member to move said strip to a separation location, and a second ticket drive device mounted in said housing for moving at least one ticket away from said separator member and through said outlet opening, and

a controller in the housing and operably coupled to the first and second ticket drive devices to inactivate the drive devices and hold the ticket strip stationary during operation of the rotary separator member to separate at least one of the tickets from the strip.

47.(Amended) A separator/drive module for driving and separating tickets from a strip of tickets in which individual tickets are delineated from one another by lines of weakness, said module comprising: a housing, inlet and outlet openings in said housing, a rotary separator member rotatably mounted in said housing and positioned across a ticket strip dispensing path to span said strip and extend in a direction transverse to said strip when said strip is in position for separation, a first ticket drive device in said housing between said inlet opening and said separator member to move said strip to a separation location, and a second ticket drive device mounted in said

housing for moving at least one ticket away from said separator member and through said outlet opening, wherein the separator/drive module has only one rotary separator member.

48.(Amended) A separator/drive module for driving and separating tickets from a strip of tickets in which individual tickets are delineated from one another by lines of weakness, said module comprising: a housing, inlet and outlet openings in said housing, a rotary separator member rotatably mounted in said housing and positioned across a ticket strip dispensing path to span said strip and extend in a direction transverse to said strip when said strip is in position for separation, a first ticket drive device in said housing between said inlet opening and said separator member to move said strip to a separation location, and a second ticket drive device mounted in said housing for moving at least one ticket away from said separator member and through said outlet opening, wherein the rotary separator member is mounted for rotation about an axis generally transverse to the ticket strip dispensing path.